

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A power strip comprising:

two or more spaced-apart socket sections each having a set of terminal insertion holes ~~for insertion of~~ configured to receive plug terminals of a power cable; ~~or the like, and~~

at least one flexible joint section that intersects adjacent socket sections;

and

a flexible cover section substantially covering the spaced-apart socket sections.

2. (Currently Amended) A power strip comprising:

two or more spaced-apart socket sections each having a set of terminal insertion holes ~~for insertion of~~ configured to receive plug terminals of a power cable ~~or the like, and~~

a flexible cover section of substantially tubular shape that substantially covers and interconnects the socket sections.

3. (Currently Amended) ~~[[A]]~~ The power strip according to claim 1, wherein the joint section or cover section has a substantially tubular shape.

4. (Currently Amended) ~~[[A]]~~ The power strip according to claim 1, wherein the joint section or cover section has a tubular shape formed with corrugations.

5. (Currently Amended) ~~[[A]]~~ The power strip according to claim 1, wherein ~~the full~~ an entire circumference of the cover section or joint section is formed with corrugations that perpendicularly intersect the longitudinal direction of the cover section.

6. (Currently Amended) ~~[[A]]~~ The power strip according to claim 1, wherein the outer peripheral surfaces of the socket sections are formed with bumps and dips that mesh with the cover section or joint section.

7. (Currently Amended) ~~[[A]]~~ The power strip according to claim 2, wherein the cover section is formed ~~[[with]]~~ substantially ~~no corrugations~~ having openings at portions where the socket sections are located and is formed with corrugations at a ~~portion~~ portions between adjacent socket sections.

8. (Currently Amended) [[A]] The power strip according to claim 6, wherein the bumps and dips have an ~~undulation~~ undulating shape that fits into the corrugations of the cover section or joint section.

9. (Currently Amended) [[A]] The power strip according to claim 1, wherein the outer surface of the joint section or cover section, or portions of the outer surfaces of the socket sections exposed outside the joint section or cover section, are subjected to nonslip processing or treatment, or at least the surface layers thereof are formed of a material having a nonslip effect.

10. (Currently Amended) [[A]] The power strip according to claim 1, wherein the sets of terminal insertion holes formed at the socket sections fall along an imaginary line and the joint section or cover section has a structure enabling it to flex at least along the imaginary line.

11. (Currently Amended) [[A]] The power strip according to claim 1, wherein the sets of terminal insertion holes formed at the socket sections fall along an imaginary line and the joint section or cover section has a structure enabling it to flex at least along a direction perpendicularly intersecting the imaginary line.

12. (Currently Amended) [[A]] The power strip according to claim 1, which includes a set of sockets whose sets of terminal insertion holes are formed at the

socket sections to be located along an imaginary line and a set of sockets whose sets of terminal insertion holes are formed at the socket sections to be located substantially in parallel as spaced a prescribed distance apart in a direction perpendicularly intersecting the imaginary line, in which power strip it is either possible for the joint section or cover section to flex at least along the imaginary line or possible for the joint section or cover section to flex at least along the direction perpendicularly intersecting the imaginary line.

13. (Currently Amended) ~~[[A]]~~ The power strip according to claim 1, wherein the joint section or cover section is integrally connected and fastened to the socket section.